



# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

## Oneida Business Committee Special Meeting

3 p.m. Friday, April 25, 2014

BCCR, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Norbert Hill Center

### Minutes

**Present:** Chairman Ed Delgado, Vice Chairman Greg Matson, Treasurer Tina Danforth, Secretary Patty Hoeft, Council members Melinda J. Danforth, David Jordan; **Not present:** Council members Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens; **Others present:** Candace House, Shelly King, Susan White, Laura Manthe, Michelle Mays, Rae Skenandore, Cheryl Stevens, Linda S. Dallas, Lori Elm, Cathy L. Metoxen

**I. Call to Order and Opening** by Chairman Ed Delgado at 2:59 p.m.

#### **II. Approve Agenda**

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the agenda with the noted changes, two additions to open session 1. Retro-approval: E-poll to approve procedural exception to cost containment for \$2,800 allocation from Community Development Planning Committee budget to purchase trees for June 7, 2014 Oneida tree giveaway event, 2. Oaths of office: Election Board alternates Candace Jourdan House, Lori Elm, Shelly King; one addition in executive session 3. Approve Oneida Seven Generations Corporation guaranty, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan

Not present: Vince DelaRosa, Greg Matson, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Greg Matson arrived 3:01 p.m.

#### **III. Open Session**

##### **1. Elder recognition luncheon plan update**

**Sponsor: Ed Delgado**

*Excerpt from April 23, 2014: Motion by Tina Danforth to the procedural exception approving the elder holiday party event and that the allocation of the Business Committee special project funds of \$10,000 be approved for use, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried with three opposed.*

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the update as FYI and request an update at the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Greg Matson. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Tina Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson

Not present: Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

##### **2. Proposed special event-Exhibit of Tribal programs and services**

**Sponsor: Ed Delgado**

*Excerpt from April 9, 2014: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the concept to the Chairman's office to bring back plan on how this can be carried out, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by David Jordan to plan the proposed special event-Exhibit of Tribal programs and services for the next fiscal period, seconded by Greg Matson. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson

Not present: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

##### **3. Resolution: Establishing the Youth Development Fund**

**Sponsor: Joanie Buckley/Susan White**

*Excerpt from April 23, 2014: Motion by Patty Hoeft to schedule a Business Committee special meeting on Friday, April 25, 2014 at 3 p.m., to consider the proposed resolution, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried with one abstention.*

Motion by Tina Danforth to table this item to the second Business Committee meeting in May. No second, motion failed.

Motion by David Jordan to defer to the next Business Committee meeting to get clarification on the legal ramifications, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried with two opposed:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan

Opposed: Tina Danforth, Greg Matson.

Not present: Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

For the record:

Tina Danforth stated I opposed because this discussion and this issue came up two days ago. I already have scheduling conflicts and some of the things that need to be addressed on the 14<sup>th</sup>, I will not be able to provide. Again, I can't be in two places at once; I have other commitments. I feel that my input to this item is very important from a fiscal and financial standpoint and as the Treasurer of the tribe. So I respectfully oppose that motion.

##### **4. Resolution: Rules of Civil Procedure**

*Excerpt from April 23, 2014: Motion by David Jordan to defer the resolution: Rules of Civil Procedure to the scheduled Business Committee special meeting, Friday, April 25, 2014 at 3 p.m., seconded Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Patty Hoeft to adopt resolution 04-25-14-A Rules of Civil Procedure as presented today, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson  
Not present: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

\*Tina Danforth left 4:35 p.m.

**5. Resolution: Rules of Appellate Procedure**

*Excerpt from April 23, 2014: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer the resolution: Rules of Appellate Procedure to the scheduled Business Committee special meeting, Friday, April 25, 2014 at 3 p.m., seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Patty Hoeft to adopt resolution 04-25-14-B Rules of Appellate Procedure, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson  
Not present: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens  
For the record: Melinda J. Danforth stated the General Tribal Council, upon adoption of the judiciary in January of last year, did grant the Business Committee the right and the power to move forward with the civil rules of procedure and appellate procedure in order to be prepared for the opening of the new judiciary, which is scheduled for Nov. 1, 2014. I do acknowledge the fact that tribal members have the right to petition in order to have their issues heard, but I wanted to explain in order for the Business Committee to feel comfortable knowing that we did have the authority and it was granted by General Tribal Council by resolution.

**IV. Additions**

**A. Open Session**

**1. Retro-approval: E-poll to approve procedural exception to cost containment for \$2,800 allocation from Community Development Planning Committee budget to purchase trees for June 7, 2014 Oneida tree giveaway event**

Sponsor: Ed Delgado

Motion by Patty Hoeft to retro-approve procedural exception to cost containment for \$2,800 allocation from Community Development Planning Committee budget to purchase trees for June 7, 2014 Oneida tree giveaway event, seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson  
Not present: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

**2. Oaths of office: Election Board alternates Candace Jourdan House, Lori Elm, Shelly King – Administered by Secretary Patty Hoeft**

**B. Executive Session**

*In accordance with provisions of Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Open Records and Open Meetings Law, Chapter 7, section 7.17-1. Closed meeting sessions, or executive sessions, are permissible, if they relate to personnel matters or contract discussion or other exceptions enumerated in section 7.4-1 of Subchapter I of this law.*

Motion by Patty Hoeft to go into executive session at 5 p.m., seconded by David Jordan. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson  
Not present: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Motion by David Jordan to come out of executive session at 5:08 p.m., seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson  
Not present: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

**1. Approve Oneida Seven Generations Corporation guaranty**

Sponsor: Jo Anne House

Motion by Patty Hoeft to authorize the guaranty as recommended in Chief Counsel's e-mail dated April 25, 2014, seconded by Greg Matson. Motion carried with one abstention:

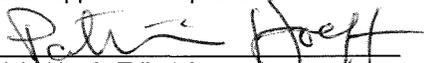
Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Greg Matson  
Abstained: David Jordan  
Not present: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

**V. Adjourn**

Motion by Patty Hoeft to adjourn at 5:09 p.m., seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft, David Jordan, Greg Matson  
Not present: Tina Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Brandon Stevens

Minutes prepared by Danelle Wilson, Executive Tribal Clerk  
Minutes approved as presented/corrected on May 14, 2014.

  
Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary  
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE